

## State of New Jersey

## **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES CN 712 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

MEDICAID COMMUNICATION NO.

94-12

**DATE:** June 14, 1994

TO:

County Welfare Agency Directors

Institutional Services Section (ISS)

Area Supervisors

SUBJECT:

Correction to Medicaid Communication No. 94-7; New Form PA-3L,

Statement of Available Income for Medicaid Payment and Instructions

for the Completion of Form PA-3L, Revised 7/93

In response to feedback received since the dissemination of Medicaid Communication No. 94-7, listed below are two corrections and a clarification to the information contained on the first page of the Medicaid Communication and the first page of the instructions.

Page 1 of the Medicaid Communication, paragraph 3 (clarification) - The counties are not responsible for completing a PA-3L for a Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipient, it is processed by the Bureau of Claims and Accounts. However, this applies only to those individuals who will continue to receive the reduced SSI cash benefit (up to \$40) after their admission to the facility. Those individuals who lose SSI upon admission because of income must be converted to Medicaid Only or New Jersey Care and have a PA-3L completed by the county, including first month adjustments for verified living expenses, where applicable.

Page 1 of the Medicaid Communication, paragraph 4, #3 (correction) - A system-generated PA-3L is no longer produced for the system-wide changes relating to Social Security cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs). Instead, a report is generated reflecting the income adjustments which is sent to the county for verification and appropriate action, if necessary. System-generated PA-3Ls are produced for changes in the spousal maintenance standards.

Instructions, page 1, "Line 1: Print Date" (correction) - For a new admission, the system will generate a PA-3L if a claim has been <u>paid</u> and the CWA has not yet submitted a PA-3L which has been entered into the system. The original communication indicated that this would happen if the claim was processed, which would have included denials and suspensions.

This communication is to be brought to the attention of all staff involved in processing long term care cases.

Sincerely,

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